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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL A, SUGGEST YOU REPLY TO ARAUJO OF
GUINEA-BISSAU MISSION ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: SUBJECT OF
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ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GUINEA-BISSAU IS

UNDER DISCUSSION. WE CONTEMPLATE SENDING A SMALL TEAM OF OFFICERS TO GUINEA-BISSAU IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO DISCUSS, WITH GOGB OFFICIALS AND OTHERS, ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUBSTANTIVE PROCEDURES FOR ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. FYI. TEAM WOULD ATTEMPT TO BECOME CONSIDERABLY BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH LOCAL CONDITIONS THAN WE NOW ARE BEFORE WE DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO SEEK FUNDING FOR THE ACTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A MISSION. END FYI.

2. REFTTEL B MENTIONED GIL FERNANDES HAD STATED GUINEA-BISSAU WILL OPEN A MISSION IN WASHINGTON. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ARAUJO MIGHT HAVE ON THIS SUBJECT. INGERSOLL UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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